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Dear Assistant Secretary John Berry:

Please accept my apology for this late communication. It had only come to my attention in the past day that I was extended an opportunity to participate in "Reconciliation Process" meetings being held in Hawaii during the month of December.

As the Chair of the Hawaii State Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, I am very interested in participating in the roundtable discussions on Saturday, December 11. I believe that my participation will serve to further educate me on the concerns of the Hawaiian community, better address their concerns on the State level and familiarize myself with the steps being taken by the Federal Government.

I may be reached by phone, (808) 586-7793, or by facsimile, (808) 586-7797.

I truly appreciate your cooperation and assistance in addressing my request and will anxiously await your decision.

Sincerely,


COLLEEN HANABUSA
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